

## Message Text

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TO AMEMBASSY BONN IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT QUADRIpartite TALKS ON CONVENTIONAL ARMS  
TRANSFERS

1. TRANSMITTED BELOW IS SELF-EXPLANATORY MESSAGE FROM  
PRESIDENT CARTER TO CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT ON CON-  
VENTIONAL ARMS TRANSFERS. PLEASE DELIVER MESSAGE TO  
ADDRESSEE OR TO APPROPRIATE ASSISTANT AS SOON AS CAN  
BE ARRANGED.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

DEAR HELMUT:

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I WOULD LIKE TO TELL YOU HOW USEFUL I FOUND OUR  
DISCUSSIONS DURING THE LONDON MEETINGS. I LOOK  
FORWARD TO FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES TO DISCUSS THE  
COMMON PROBLEMS WE FACE.

I WOULD LIKE NOW TO PURSUE THE DISCUSSIONS WE  
INITIATED QUADRIpartitely IN LONDON ON CONVENTIONAL

ARMS TRANSFERS. TO THIS END, I WOULD BE PLEASED  
TO DESIGNATE A REPRESENTATIVE TO MEET WITH

REPRESENTATIVES DESIGNATED BY YOU AND BY OUR TWO  
COLLEAGUES, PRIME MINISTER CALLAGHAN AND PRESIDENT  
GISCARD, TO EXPLORE THIS PROBLEM. I WOULD SUG-  
GEST THAT A MEETING BE HELD IN JUNE. WE WOULD  
BE PLEASED TO ACT AS HOST HERE IN WASHINGTON,  
BUT I WOULD ALSO BE HAPPY TO DISPATCH MY REPRESENTATIVE TO MEET IN EUROPE AT A MUTUALLY CON-  
VENIENT LOCATION.

AS INDICATED ABOVE, I HAVE ALSO SENT SIMILAR  
MESSAGES TO PRIME MINISTER CALLAGHAN AND PRESIDENT  
GISCARD.

I LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR RESPONSE. SINCERELY,  
JIMMY CARTER. END TEXT. VANCE

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